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SUBJECT: KISSINGER-DE LA FLOR MEETING

1. LIMA MORNING DAILIES DECEMBER 18 HEADLINED AFP STORY OF DECEMBER 17 FROM PARIS THAT "DE LA FLOR MET WITH KISSINGER". STORY NOTES THAT MEETING WAS HELD IN HOTEL SAINT RAFAEL, IN CONTRAST TO OTHER MEETINGS SECRETARY HELD WITH LDC LEADERS AT U.S. EMBASSY. ARTICLE QUOTES DE LA FLOR AS REFUSING TO CONFIRM IF A "NEUTRAL" MEETING PLACE HAD BEEN DELIBERTLY CHOSEN. ARTICLE QUOTES A SPOKESMAN FOR THE SECRETARY AS SAYING THAT SECRETARY AND DE LA FLOR DISCUSSED CURRENT BILATERAL ISSUES, AND THAT PART OF CONVERSATION WAS DEVOTED TO DISCUSSION OF PRINCIPAL ITEMS ON THE CIEC AGENDA.

2. ARTICLE CONTINUES THAT AFTER MEETING, DE LA FLOR DENIED THAT SECRETARY KISSINGER HAD EXPRESSED VIEWS WHICH WOULD BE INTERPRETED AS AN EFFORT TO DRIVE A WEDGE BETWEEN LDC OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES AND LDC OIL IMPORTING COUNTRIES. ARTICLE THEN NOTES THAT SECRETARY HAS BEEN CRITICIZED BY OTHER THIRD WORLD FOREIGN MINISTERS

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FOR ATTEMPTING SUCH A TACTIC, BUT THAT DE LA FLOR SAID:

QUOTE I WOULD HAVE BEEN VERY SURPRISED BY SUCH AN ATTITUDE, WHICH, FORTUNATELY, DID NOT OCCUR. END QUOTE
FINALLY, ARTICLE CONCLUDED THAT DE LA FLOR DENIED THAT HE AND SECRETARY DISCUSSED THE IPC ISSUE. QUOTE THIS PROBLEM NEVER CAMEUP IN THE MEETING WITH THE SECRETARY
END QUOTE.

3. COMMENT: MEETING WAS A LEADING STORY IN MOST MORNING DAILIES. WHY AND UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES IPC ISSUE WAS RAISED IS NOT CLEAR UNLESS AFP MISTAKENLY CONFUSED THIS CASE WITH MARCONA.
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